## Cost FAC Tele-Conference Minutes 16 August 2001

**1. Participants**. The following committee members and guests participated in the telephone-conference meeting.

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Arthur Belanger Milton Schmidt

Dave Johnson CEERD-ID-C

Julie Davin CENWW-ED-D-SC Gareth Clausen CENWW-ED-C

**2. Funding**. Last call for funding needs will be the end of August.

## 3. Discussions.

- There was general consensus that recommending only one quantity takeoff software for the Corps may not be the best recommendation. By doing so may lock the Corps to software that may not be effective for all Districts. The slogan, "painting ourselves into a corner" is applicable. Also, a "black and white solution" is not always good.
- Are we including Triforma in our evaluations? Triforma is a 3D design tool and our take-off evaluations are for drawings currently in the 2D arena.
- Progress on assigned technology evaluations and the report content was discussed. There were no objections to the evaluation format including, Description, Pro's, Con's, and a Synopsis of the evaluation.
- The next phone conference will include discussions of software not previously demonstrated. How those software meet our criteria will also be discussed.
- The schedule for completing this project is as follows.

22 August Suspense for Evaluation Narratives

29 August Distribute a Final Draft Report

7 September Comments on the Final Draft Report are due

**4. Next Conference Calls**. The next committee conference call meetings are scheduled for Thursdays, 30 August, and 6 September, 11:00am Pacific Standard Time. Call-in number, pass code, and agenda will be distributed.

Meeting adjourned.